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December 18, 2014

All Responding Bidders (See Distribution List)

SUBJECT: FB-00002; Sixty-Foot Articulated Hybrid Buses

Dear Bidders:

Evaluation of bids tendered in response to the above cited solicitation has been completed. The County Mayor or designee has recommended award as shown in the attached document.

This notice is provided in accordance with Section 1.12 of the solicitation and Section 2-8.4 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. Our provision of this notice also serves to confirm the lifting of the Cone of Silence from this procurement action as dictated by Section 2-11.1(t) of the County Code.

We appreciate the participation of all Bidders who responded to the subject action. If you have any questions please contact me at 305-375-4264, email [fjl@miamidade.gov](mailto:fjl@miamidade.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jesus Lee", written over a horizontal line.

Jesus Lee, CPPB  
Procurement Contracting Officer 2

Distribution List:  
NABI Bus, LLC

Attachment: Award Recommendation

cc: Clerk of the Board  
Bruce Libhaber, Assistant County Attorney  
Bid File

# Memorandum



CLERK OF THE BOARD

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLA.

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**Date:**

**To:** Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor

**Subject:** Recommendation for Approval to Award: 60-Foot Articulated Hybrid Buses

## **Recommendation**

In accordance with Resolution R-178-02, it is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve award of *Contract No. FB-00002, Sixty-Foot Articulated Hybrid Buses* to NABI Bus, LLC (NABI) for the purchase of up to 64 hybrid-drive buses on behalf of Miami-Dade Transit. This contract will provide for the purchase of hybrid-drive (i.e., diesel-electric) low-floor heavy duty mass transit buses, parts, ancillary items and training services.

The buses will be used to support Miami-Dade Transit's Bus Rapid Transit Service, which includes suburban express and general urban area service. Use of these buses will enhance bus service along the Biscayne Boulevard and NW 27 Avenue corridors, as well as the South Miami-Dade Busway. The buses have a minimum life expectancy of 12 years or 500,000 miles.

## **Scope**

The impact of this item is countywide in nature.

## **Fiscal Impact and Funding Source**

The fiscal impact for the five-year term is \$71,387,000 for the purchase of up to 64 buses and supported by existing and future federal and state grant funds. Some of the grants will require a local match from Charter County Transportation Surtax funds. The buses will only be purchased upon the County obtaining the necessary grant funds.

The solicitation issued was strictly for diesel/electric hybrid buses in order to comply with the federal and state requirements that the buses be more efficient and reduce emissions. Additionally, the State of Florida Department of Transportation grants identified below require the buses to have diesel/electric hybrid propulsion systems. In order to not miss the opportunity to purchase more fuel efficient buses that generate less emissions, the County sought hybrid buses at the same time that it is in the process of completing a solicitation for compressed natural gas vehicles. If the County chooses to purchase compressed natural gas vehicles as an alternative, the agreements with the federal and state governments can be amended and a new procurement will be sought for the purchase.

Quantity of Hybrid Buses	Funding Source
41	State of Florida Department of Transportation Grant and a 50 percent local match from Charter County Transportation Surtax Funds
2	Federal Transit Administration 5307 Grant (these two buses will supplement service along the South Miami-Dade Busway)
21	Future State of Florida Department of Transportation Grant and a 50 percent local match from Charter County Transportation Surtax Funds)

The number of buses to be purchased is derived from the Transportation Improvement Program, Fiscal Years 2012-2013 to 2016-2017 as approved by the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization Governing Board on May 17, 2012.

**Track Record/Monitor**

Jesus Lee, CPPB, of the Internal Services Department is the Procurement Officer. Fred Shields of MDT is the Contract Manager.

**Delegated Authority**

If this item is approved, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee will have the authority to exercise all provisions of the contract pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38.

**Vendors Recommended for Award**

An Invitation to Bid was issued under full and open competition on January 24, 2014. One bid was received in response to the solicitation. The method of award was to the lowest-priced responsive, responsible bidder in the aggregate.

Awardee	Address	Principal
NABI Bus, LLC	106 National Drive Anniston, AL	Brian Dewsnup

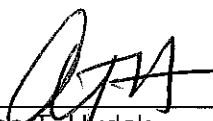
This procurement was structured to comply with Federal Transit Administration guidelines since Federal Transit Administration funding will be used to purchase a portion of the buses. A Federal Transit Administration Pre-Award Buy America audit was conducted to determine if the selected vendor, NABI, had a documented plan for how it intended to meet the Buy America requirements outlined in the Code of Federal Regulations. NABI meets the audit requirements for production of the solicited buses.

**Due Diligence**

Due diligence was conducted in accordance with the Internal Services Department's Procurement Guidelines to determine Contractor responsibility, including verifying corporate status and that there are no performance or compliance issues. The lists that were referenced include: convicted vendors, debarred vendors, delinquent contractors, suspended vendors and federal excluded parties. There were no adverse findings relating to contractor responsibility. This information is being provided pursuant to Resolution R-187-12.

**Applicable Ordinances and Contract Measures**

- No contract measures apply as this contract is funded in part by federal funds.
- The Living Wage Ordinance does not apply as this contract is funded in part by federal funds.
- The two (2) percent User Access Program provision does not apply as this contract is funded in part by federal funds.

  
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Alina T. Hudak  
Deputy Mayor